

## Opticians Association of New Brunswick

### OANB Member News

#### OANB's roles: Association vs. Regulator



OANB is the last Optical Association in Canada to operate as a combined Regulator and Association. The governments of other provinces have required that Optical Regulators and Associations operate as separate entities. This has proved confusing to their members, who have to deal with both - Which one does what?

As a result, the Opticians Association of Canada (OAC) has created a quick video showing the difference between the two. The video is equally helpful to OANB members in understanding our Association's dual functions.

The OANB Council has strived to avoid the costly and complex division of our Association, by continually ensuring that OANB fulfills each aspect of it's roles in a current, legal and thorough manner, should they come under government scrutiny. We have had no indication of any changes to date, but an eventual division may be inevitable, in which case, members will have some preparation thanks to this quick OAC video!

Click here to watch the short video:  
<http://bit.ly/3v8kStL>



#### Professional Development

#### OAC CONNECT 2023 - FEBRUARY WEBCAST

##### 1 CE ACTIVITY

Monday, February 27, 2023 | 8:00 PM - 9:00

OAC Members & Students: FREE

Our live event will be run entirely through Zoom, including the poll questions attendees have to answer during the event.

Once registered, a confirmation email including your official receipt is sent immediately to your email address. Instructions for this live event will be sent to attendees' email on the morning of Monday, February 27, 2023

Login to register at: <https://opticians.ca/viewEvent.html?productid=8059>

Find great past webinars through the OAC APP:

<https://web.ventla.io/oac-live-webcasts?eventid=701249>

#### CONNECT NEW BRUNSWICK 2023

Fredericton, May 24  
Moncton, May 25  
5:00 PM to 9:30 PM

Get together with fellow Opticians!  
May 24—Fredericton Cineplex  
May 25—Moncton Cineplex, Trinity

5-6 pm Networking time  
6-9:30 pm Big screen education!

Popcorn & other concessions provided. OANB Toques & Sweatshirts will be on sale, with prize draws held at both events!

OAC Members & Students: \$24.00+tax

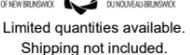
Registration and credit value information will be sent to members soon.

#### Promote OANB with Pride!



Contact the OANB Office to order yours!

Limited quantities available. Shipping not included.



OANB Heavy Blend Crewneck:  
Black, S-XL: \$30.00

OANB Jacquard Cable Knit Cuff Toque:  
Black, one-size: \$20.00

#### Attention Practicing Members: New OANB Photo IDs will be issued for the 2023-24 Renewal!!



Please submit your photo and fastener preference to the OANB office as specified by Feb. 28, 2023:

- 1). Choose to receive a lanyard or a new magnetic fastener.
- 2). Submit small, colour, in focus jpg. or pdf. images by email:
  - a). Taken with uniform lighting
  - b). Taken straight on, face and shoulders centered to the camera
  - c). Taken with a clear difference between the face and background
  - d). Taken within the last year, reflecting your current appearance

Thank you!

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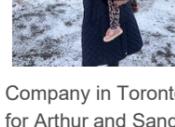
Register for a free ticket here: <https://100percentoptical-2023.reg.buzz/> No OANB credit value.

#### MEET A MEMBER?

#### Ann Eastwood, OANB Registrar



I grew up in New York and am the seventh of nine children. We all get together at least two times a year and enjoy great meals, chatting, music, swimming and sailing at our summer cottage on Grand Lake, which has seen six generations of our family.



My family moved to Queenstown, NB, and I later graduated from UNB Fredericton with a BA in English and Classics. I have had many interesting jobs, from air traffic controller and navigator for the spruce budworm spray program, to working for a amazing Communications

Company in Toronto, to Head Gardener and later Personal Secretary for Arthur and Sandra Irving at their home in Saint John.



I have two excellent children, Audrey who manages The Bus Stop Theatre in Halifax, and Richard, who you may recognize from the OANB website, when he posed as a volunteer model. My granddaughter Jane amuses me when we talk daily via FaceTime, and I visit as often as possible.



In addition to the work I currently do for OANB, I have a second job as Coordinator for a Saint John business association. I live in Saint John with my partner Walter and enjoy walking, gardening, travelling, history, reading, music, friends and of course my beloved family. I enjoy working with and for all of you, and love any opportunity to actually meet members!



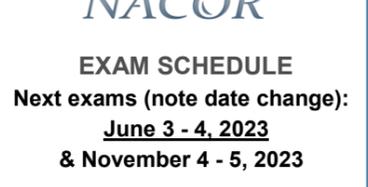
#### OANB APPRENTICE AREA

#### NBCC

#### New Blended Delivery Opticianry Program in NB!!

Starting September 2023 at NBCC Moncton

See: <https://nbcc.ca/programs/courses/program-detailsbaseCurriculumId=432b2120-f91d-404c-96e7-044e3990f792>



#### EXAM SCHEDULE

Next exams (note date change):  
June 3 - 4, 2023  
& November 4 - 5, 2023



#### Would someone you know like to become an Optician?

Learn about the NAIT Online Optical Program (theory & on-the-job clinical)

<http://bit.ly/OpticalSciences>

Next intake start dates: August 28, 2022 & Jan. 3, 2024



#### NACOR EXAMINATION PREP RESOURCES!

Free On-Demand via the OAC APP, including: recorded NACOR Examination Prep sessions (Eyeglasses, Contact Lenses - Pathology, Contact Lenses - Case Studies/Troubleshooting), sample questions, video tutorials and more! To access:

<https://www.opticians.ca/site/studentresources?nav=sidebar>

## Employment Opportunities



Optix by Dr Savoie, Campbellton is looking for a full time optician or student optician to join our team. Great team atmosphere. please send me an email at: [ffsavoie13@hotmail.com](mailto:ffsavoie13@hotmail.com)

#### Off the Wall Eyewear Emporium

is an independent, super busy, and very cool eyewear shop.

We're looking for Part-time Dispensing Opticians to join our Fredericton and Moncton store teams.

Do you have an undying love to stay up-to-date with all things eyes and a strong need to help wonderful people with their vision care? If you said "YES", you are our perfect Optician and we sooo... want you!

Send us an email and let's chat: [onyourfaceeyewear@gmail.com](mailto:onyourfaceeyewear@gmail.com)

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Vogue Optical is currently seeking a  
Managing Optician,  
Shediac  
Optician/contact lens fitter  
Bathurst

Must be bilingual. • Must be a licensed optician. • Have the ability to work in a team to ensure the overall success of the store. • Must have the ability to organize, set priorities, solve problems and work under limited supervision. • Excellent benefits offered with a competitive starting salary

Permanent full-time positions  
Interested candidates can apply by fax:  
(902) 626-3610 or email: [bmacdon-ald@vogueoptical.com](mailto:bmacdon-ald@vogueoptical.com)

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FYidectors is seeking a:  
Full Time Optician  
King St. Fredericton  
Full-time Bilingual Optical Associate  
Dieppe  
40 hrs/week, Mon.- Fri.  
Send application to the hiring manager.  
See: <https://fyidectors.com/en/careers>

Walmart Vision Centre  
Regent Mall, Fredericton  
is looking for a  
Dual Licensed Optician  
If interested contact: District Manager  
Nichole Haley (506) 292-4265

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(Full/Part) time position  
Competitive wages, based on experience  
Benefit program including health, dental, LTD, RSP with employer contribution, EAP program  
Sales bonus program, Periodic incentive program  
Free eyeglasses annually, Family & Friends discount, store discount, referral bonus, paid vacation time off and personal days. Provincial Opticianry licensing fees and Liability insurance reimbursed.

IRIS The Visual Group is looking for a bilingual Optician in Dalhousie

What you need?  
Current NB Optician license  
Ability to communicate in both French and English  
Willingness to deliver excellent patient-care  
Be able to troubleshoot and support patients  
Contribute to team goals and positive environment  
Complete necessary administration  
Like what you see? Click the link to apply:  
<https://bit.ly/3VRFzG6>